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OF THE
GRAND LODGE
OF
ANCIENT YORK MASONS
OF
NORTH-CAROLINA.

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PROCEEDINGS.

GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Pursuant to an order of the M. W. Grand Master, a Grand Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina was held at Masons' Hall, in the city of Raleigh, on Monday evening, the 20th of December, A. L. 5824. The M. W. Grand Master being prevented by unavoidable circumstances from attending the meeting, the

R. W. BEZALEEL GILLETT, J. G. Warden, officiated as Grand Master pro tempore.

R. W. THOS. A. PASTEUR, S. G. Warden P. T.

BENJ. B. HUNTER, J. G. Warden P. T.

WM. BOYLAN, G. Treasurer.

ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.

W. H. WILLIAMS, D. G. Secretary.

Rev. WM. M. GREEN, G. Chaplain.

SAML. F. PATTERSON, G. S. Deacon.

JESSE SPEIGHT, G. J. Deacon.

JOHN C. STEDMAN, G. Steward.

JOHN LUMSDEN, G. Tyler.

REPRESENTATIVES.

St. John's, No. 1, Bro. Joseph A. Hill.

Phoenix, No. 8, Bros. Colin M'Iver, Anson Baily and David Stephenson.

Washington, No. 15, Bro. J. O. K. Williams.

Hiram, No. 40, Bros. B. A. Barham, Wm. H. Haywood, jr. and Mark Cooke.

Liberty, No. 45, Bros. Sam'l F. Patterson and Thomas W. Wilson.

Hall, No. 53, Bro. Willoughby D. Barnard.

Unanimity, No. 54, Bro. Wm. Bullock.

King Solomon, No. 56, Bros. John Peebles and Thomas Bynum.

Concord, No. 58, Bro. Benj. B. Hunter.

Perseverance, No. 59, Bros. Thomas Johnson, Gabriel L. Stewart and Peter Picot.

Kilwinning, No. 64, Bro. James Legrand.

Williams, No. 66, Bro. Samuel Salyear.

Scotland Neck, No. 68, Bro. Gabriel L. Stewart.

Western Sun, No. 72, Bros. Woodson Clements, Howell Olive and Moses Wood.

Widow's Son, No. 75, Bros. Wilson B. Webster and Thomas Tillet.

Albemarle, No. 77, Bro. James Iredell.

Sharon, No. —, Bros. Shadrack C. Allen and John C. Gorham.

Charity, No. —, Bros. George B. Outlaw and James G. Mhoon.

Western Star, Bros. John Carson and Samuel P. Carson.

Zion, Bro. Thomas A. Pasteur.

University, Bro. Wm. M'Cauley.

VISITORS.

Bros. Henry M. Miller, J. H. Harvey, John Haywood, J. W. Pullen, Thos. Cobbs, John W. M'Gee, Isaac Sullivan, James Mattoon, Lewis Tombreau, J. A. Smithwick, Wm. Unthank, Thos. Trotter, Lawrence Cherry, George L. Davidson, Benjamin Rhodes, Dirk Lindeman, Rev. Robert T. Daniel, John Mooring, Thaddeus C. Quick, — Hepburn, James Wilson, William P. Waugh, John Singletary, Jesse A. Bynum, J. W. Williams.

The Grand Lodge was opened in due form.

A committee, consisting of Bros. G. L. Stewart, B. B. Hunter and Thomas A. Pasteur, was appointed to examine the proceedings of King Solomon Lodge, No. 18.

Bros. James Iredell, Thos. W. Wilson and S. F. Patterson were appointed a committee to examine the several communications, directed to this Grand Lodge, which have been received since the last Grand annual communication.

Petitions from the following Lodges, praying for Dispensations and Charters, were referred to a committee, consisting of Bros. Wm. H. Haywood, jr. J. O. K. Williams, Samuel Salyear, G. L. Stewart and John C. Gorham, to wit: *Fellowship Lodge*, Smithfield; *Lafayette Lodge*, Williamston; *Mount Moriah Lodge*, Iredell county; *Lafayette Lodge*, Louisburg; *University Lodge*, Chapel Hill; *Zion Lodge*, Jones county; and *Lafayette Lodge*, Onslow C. H.

The committee appointed at the last annual communication, to purchase chairs and window curtains for the Grand Lodge, reported as follows:

"That they have procured five dozen chairs, and curtains for the windows of the Hall, for the sums set forth in the subjoined account, amounting to 229 dollars and 60 cents. To pay which, they drew on the Grand Treasurer three warrants, amounting to that sum; all of which has been paid.

"Your committee have been unsuccessful in procuring fringe and proper trimming for the curtains, and submit to the Grand Lodge, whether it shall hereafter be done.

Cash paid Wm. Thompson for 5 doz Chairs,	\$125 00
M'Crindell & Barker, New York, for 4 pieces Mareens,	60 00
5½ per cent discount on \$60 N. Carolina money,	3 30
Freight Mareens from New York,	1 00

Mrs. Lawrence, for making curtains,	20 30
N. Wilson, for boards to hang curtains on,	20 00
	229 60

Respectfully submitted.

B. A. BARHAM,
J. C. STEDMAN,
ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, } Committee.

Dec. 18, 1824.

Which report was concurred in.

The Grand Secretary presented a letter from the M. W. Grand Master, enclosing sundry communications, received by him, appertaining to the business of the Grand Lodge, and stating the cause which prevented his attendance at this communication; which was read, and the accompanying papers were referred to the committee appointed to examine documents of that nature.

The Grand Treasurer presented his annual report of the finances of the Grand Lodge; which was read and referred to a committee, consisting of Bros. John Peebles, S. F. Patterson and James Legrand.

Bro. Wm. H. Haywood, jr. applied for assistance for Bro. James Wilson of New York, a distressed brother. The subject was referred to a committee, consisting of the M. W. Grand Master, S. G. and J. G. Wardens.

A prayer from the R. W. Rev. Wm. M. Green, Grand Chaplain.

No further business coming before the Grand Lodge, it was adjourned until to-morrow evening, at 7 o'clock.

ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.



Tuesday evening, Dec. 21, A. L. 5824.

The Grand Lodge convened pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT,

M. W. BEZALEEL GILLET, G. Master P. T.
R. W. THOMAS A. PASTEUR, S. G. Warden P. T.
BENJ. B. HUNTER, J. G. Warden P. T.
JOHN PEEBLES, G. Treasurer P. T.
ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.
MARK COOKE, D. G. Secretary.
SAML. F. PATTERSON, G. S. Deacon.
BENJ. A. BARHAM, G. J. Deacon P. T.
L. D. WILSON, G. Marshal P. T.
JAMES G. MHOON, G. Pursuivant P. T.
J. O. K. Williams, G. Sword Bearer P. T.
JOHN C. STEDMAN, G. Steward.
JOHN LUMSDEN, G. Tyler.

MEMBERS.

Bros. G. L. Davidson and John C. Ehringhouse, Past Junior Grand Wardens.

Representatives as at last meeting, with the addition of Bro. William Unthank, from Greensborough Lodge, No. 76, and Bro. John Scott, from Eagle Lodge, No. 71.

VISITORS.

Bros. David W. Stone, John Braselman, W. W. Williams, Wm. H. Hunter, James N. Smith, Thomas Cobbs, Jeremiah Battle, John G. Marshall, James Wilson, Lewis Tombreau, Henry Wilkes, J. H. Harvey, Wm. G. Bowers.

The committee, to whom was referred the petition of Bro. James Wilson, presented the following report, which was read and concurred in:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master and other Grand Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Brethren,—Whereas, the committee to whom was referred the petition of Brother James Wilson, having investigated the same, beg leave to report, That they are satisfied the petitioner is the same person whom it appears, from public advertisement, was robbed while in the city of New York of the sum of five thousand seven hundred dollars; and that he is now in pursuit of the thief, and destitute of the means necessary to enable him to prosecute his progress. Your committee is satisfied that Brother Wilson has a family at this time in the city of New York laboring under pressing privations, in consequence of the loss before enumerated, and, from the most satisfactory recommendations, that he is a man of the strictest honor and integrity; they therefore recommend to this Grand Lodge, the adoption of the following resolutions, viz:

Resolved, That the Grand Treasurer be hereby authorised and directed to advance, as a donation to Brother James Wilson, the sum of fifty dollars, out of any monies in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge do recommend our Brother James Wilson, to the particular attention of all Lodges and Brethren, and earnestly solicit their assistance in enabling him to recover his property and detecting the thief; and further, that he be presented with a copy of these resolutions and the report annexed thereto, signed by the Grand Officers, and attested by the Grand Secretary.

Respectfully submitted.

T. A. PASTEUR,	} Committee.
BEN. B. HUNTER,	
BEZALEEL GILLET,	

The committee, to whom was referred the proceedings of *King Solomon Lodge, No. 18*, submitted the following report, which was read and concurred in:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Wardens and other Grand Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Brethren,—The committee to whom was referred the proceedings of *King Solomon Lodge, No. 18*, Jones county, beg leave to report, That they have examined the proceedings of said Lodge, and highly approve the same, believing they were actuated from truly Masonic principles; and that the result thereof has been the cause of healing many dissensions that existed among the brotherhood composing said Lodge; they therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge do accept of the Charter of King Solomon Lodge, No. 18, Jones county, North Carolina, and that the funds and Jewels at present in the possession of Zion Lodge, in said county, at this time working under dispensation, be, and the same are hereby granted and acknowledged to be the property of the Master, Wardens, and brethren of Zion Lodge aforesaid, this Grand Lodge waiving all their right, title or interest in the same, being satisfied that the surrender of the original Charter of King Solomon Lodge, No. 18, was solely for the purpose of cementing brotherly love and friendship

Respectfully submitted.

BEN. B. HUNTER, }
T. A. PASTEUR, } Committee.
G. L. STEWART, }

The committee appointed to examine the Grand Treasurer's accounts, reported as follows:

The committee to whom was referred the examination of the Grand Treasurer's accounts, have examined the same, and respectfully report, That there remained in the hands of the Grand Treasurer on the 10th December, 1823, as per former report, the sum of \$399 32½ That he has received since that time, and up to the 18th instant, from sundry Lodges, and dividends on Bank stock, the sum of

sum of	315 00
Making a total of	714 32½
Out of which he has disbursed for various expenses, as per satisfactory vouchers shewn, the sum of	610 69

103 63

Leaving a balance in his hands of one hundred and three dollars and sixty-three cents, up to the 18th December, instant.

Your committee further state, that the Lodge at present own five shares of Bank stock, which is considered to be worth its par value—say 500 00

To which may be added the sum remaining in the Treasurer's hands of

103 63

603 63
Which will make an aggregate of six hundred and three dollars and sixty-three cents, leaving the receipts of the present session to defray the ordinary expenses; which, it is presumed, will be sufficient for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted.

S. F. PATTERSON, }
JOHN PEEBLES, } Committee.
JAMES LEGRAND, }

Dec. 21, 1824.

Which report was concurred in.

It was submitted to the decision of the Grand Lodge, whether Delegates from Lodges working under dispensations were entitled to seats, as members, in the Grand Lodge; which question was determined in the negative.

The committee, to whom was referred several petitions praying for Charters and Dispensations to work under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, reported in favor of granting a Charter to *Zion Lodge*, in Jones county, and Dispensations to *Lafayette Lodge*, at Onslow Court House, and *Lafayette Lodge*, at Williamston, in Martin county; and requested further time to

consider the other petitions referred to them. Which report was concurred in.

Ordered, that Bros. John Scott and Louis D. Wilson be added to the committee appointed to examine such communications as have been received since the last Grand Annual Communication.

The Grand Lodge then adjourned until to-morrow evening, at 6 o'clock.

ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.

Wednesday evening, Dec. 22, A. L. 5824

The Grand Lodge convened pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT,

M. W. BEZALEEL GILLET, G. Master P. T.
 R. W. THOS. A. PASTEUR, S. G. Warden P. T.
 BENJ. B. HUNTER, J. G. Warden P. T.
 JOHN PEEBLES, G. Treasurer P. T.
 ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.
 SAM'L. F. PATTERSON, G. S. Deacon.
 ANSON BAILY, G. J. Deacon P. T.
 GEO. L. DAVIDSON, G. Marshal P. T.
 JAMES G. MHOON, G. Pursuivant P. T.
 J. O. K. WILLIAMS, G. Sword Bearer P. T.
 JOHN C. STEDMAN, G. Steward.
 JOHN LUMSDEN, G. Tyler.

Representatives as at last meeting.

VISITORS.

Bros. A. S. H. Burges, Wm. H. Williams, J. Braselman, Wm. M'Cauley, Lewis Tambreau, N. J. Drake, J. G. Marshall, James N. Mann, J. J. S. Ruffin.

The proceedings of the last meeting were read and approved.

Bro. Barham presented the petition of several Master Masons, residing in Nash county, praying that a dispensation be granted them to establish a Lodge at Nashville, in said county, under the title of *Morning Star Lodge*; which was read, and the prayer of the petitioners granted.

On motion, ordered that the name of *Lafayette Lodge*, at Williamston, Martin county, for which a Dispensation was directed to be issued at the last meeting, be altered to that of *Skewarkee Lodge*.

Resolved, That the Representatives from all Lodges, to which Charters have been granted during this annual communication, have leave to take seats as members of this Grand Lodge.

Ordered, that the names of all candidates for initiation or admission in the Lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, who may have been rejected therein, shall not be published in the proceedings of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge proceeded to the election of Grand Officers for the ensuing year; when, after several balloting, it appearing that no person had the requisite number of votes for Grand Master, the election was, on motion, postponed until the next meeting.

On motion, Bro. Geo. L. Davidson had leave to withdraw the petition for a Dispensation for *Mount Moriah Lodge*, in Iredell county.

The Grand Lodge then adjourned until to-morrow evening, at 6 o'clock.

ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.

Thursday evening, Dec. 23, A. L. 5824.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT,

M. W. BEZALEEL GILLET, G. Master P. T.
 R. W. THOS. A. PASTEUR, S. G. Warden P. T.
 LOUIS D. WILSON, J. G. Warden P. T.
 JOHN PEEBLES, G. Treasurer P. T.
 ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.
 SAML. F. PATTERSON, G. S. Deacon.
 ANSON BAILY, G. J. Deacon P. T.
 GEO. L. DAVIDSON, G. Marshal P. T.
 JAMES LEGRAND, G. Pursuivant P. T.
 JAMES G. MHOON, G. Sword Bearer P. T.
 JOHN C. STEDMAN, G. Steward.
 JOHN LUMSDEN, G. Tyler.

MEMBERS.

R. W. JAMES IREDELL, Past D. G. Master.
 JOHN C. EHRINGHAUSE, Past J. G. Warden.

Representatives as at last meeting.

VISITORS.

Bros. Wm. M'Cauley, Henry M. Miller, John Carson, Saml. P. Carson, John Braselman, Louis Tombreau, Wm. G. Bowers, E. S. Jones, Amos A. Atkinson, Randolph Webb and John W. Pullen.

The proceedings of the last meeting were read and approved.

The committee appointed to examine the several communications received since the last Grand Annual Communication, submitted the following report:

The committee, to which was referred the foreign correspondence received by the Grand Lodge since the last annual communication, respectfully report, That, having carefully examined the mass of papers referred to them, your committee find but little to which they deem it necessary to direct the attention of this Grand Lodge. In the communications received from foreign Lodges, they remark, with pleasure, the growth and spread

of the principles of our order, and the flourishing situation of the Grand Lodges in the United States, the great similarity of views, as regards the grand masonic edifice, which the correspondence exhibits as existing among the different Grand Lodge in this Union, shews conclusively the beneficial effects which must be realised in completing this moral superstructure.

The attention of your committee has been called to the resolutions of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, upon the propriety of erecting a Monument at Mount Vernon over the remains, and to the memory of our late distinguished Brother George Washington. Although the funds of the Grand Lodge will not justify your committee, in recommending a sum commensurate with the importance of the subject proposed, yet, so fully impressed are your committee with the deep interest which every American, more especially every member of the Fraternity, must feel in the accomplishment of the measure, that we feel no hesitation in recommending the adoption of the following resolutions, to wit:

Resolved, that the Grand Lodge of North Carolina most heartily coincide in opinion with the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, as to the propriety of erecting a Monument at the Grave of Washington at Mount Vernon, by the Masonic Fraternity.

Resolved, That the sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated for that purpose from the funds of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, whenever a sufficient sum shall be appropriated by the Grand Lodges of other states, or by voluntary contributions of the Masonic Fraternity, and specific arrangements shall have been made for the erection of the same.

Resolved further, That the M. W. Grand Master, S. G. Warden and G. Secretary be appointed and authorised to sell the stock owned by the Grand Lodge in the State Bank, at a price not less than par, so as to apply the proceeds thereof to the purposes of the foregoing resolution, in case the G. Treasurer shall advise them that it is necessary; and the said Brethren shall be a committee of correspondence on this subject, and be the proper persons to control the above appropriation.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS D. WILSON, }
S. F. PATTERSON, } Committee.

Which report was read and concurred in, and the accompanying resolutions were adopted.

Resolved, that the next annual meeting of this Grand Lodge shall be held on the first Monday in December, 1825.

The Grand Lodge then resumed the balloting for Grand Officers for the ensuing year, when

The M. W. ROBERT STRANGE was duly elected G. Master;
The R. W. THOMAS A. PASTEUR, S. G. Warden;
BEZALEEL GILLET, J. G. Warden;
BENJ. A. BARHAM, G. Treasurer; and
ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.

On motion, *Resolved*, That a committee of three Brethren be appointed, to examine into the proceedings and accounts of Camden Lodge, formerly of Camden County, and afterwards removed to Elizabeth City, in Pasquotank county.

Resolved, That the said committee be, and they are hereby authorised to call upon the late Master, Wardens and other officers of said Lodge, for all the Jewels, Books, Papers, Furniture, and other property belonging to said Lodge.

Resolved, That the said committee, after an investigation and settlement of the said accounts, be, and they are hereby authorised to deliver over to the Master, Wardens and other officers of Eastern Lodge, now established in Elizabeth City, all the jewels, furniture, money and other property that shall belong and be due to Camden Lodge.

Resolved, That the said committee consist of Brethren John C. Ehringhouse, Isaac N. Lamb and Wilson B. Webster; and that they make a full report of their proceedings at the next annual meeting of this Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary furnish to Brother John C. Ehringhouse a copy of the foregoing resolutions under the Great Seal of this Lodge.

Bro. William H. Haywood, jr. who was appointed at the last annual communication of the Grand Lodge to enquire into the loss of Candlesticks and Swords by him purchased for the Grand Lodge, and to recover the amount of their value from those liable for the same. and, in the event of their not being restored, to purchase others, Reported,

That soon after the adjournment of the Grand Lodge, he wrote on to his agent in Philadelphia, who made the necessary enquiry, and found that said articles had been left, by negligence or mistake in the Master of the vessel, who had given his bill of lading for them, in a warehouse at Philadelphia; and, on that account, their arrival here had been delayed. They were immediately found, however, and forwarded to this place, and are now in the use of the Lodge. He further reports, that the price of the Candlesticks was greater than was reported to the Lodge at the last annual communication. He has hereto attached an account of the whole expense attending it.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WILL. H. HAYWOOD, jr.

DR. *The Grand Lodge of North Carolina*

In account with W. H. Haywood, jr.

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July, To cash paid in Philadelphia for 2 Swords,	-	\$30 00
To cash paid do. for three Candlesticks,	-	45 00
To difference of exchange paid on money,	-	7 50

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To cash paid additionally for Candlesticks,	-	6 00
To cash paid the difference of exchange,	-	30
To postage paid one double letter—one single do. from Philadelphia—two single do. to Philadelphia,	-	1 25
To cash paid waggonage and freight,	-	1 50

		91 55
To cash returned to B. A. Barham,	-	8 45

100 00

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By cash received of G. Treasurer, by order of committee,	100 00
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Which report was concurred in.

Bros. Gabriel L. Stewart, Thomas A. Pasteur and James G. Mhoon were appointed a committee, to wait on the several M.

W. Past Grand Masters at present in the city, and request their attendance at the Grand Lodge, for the purpose of installing the Grand Officers elect.

No further business appearing before the Grand Lodge, it was adjourned until to-morrow evening, at six o'clock.

ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.

Friday evening, Dec. 24, A. L. 5824.

The Grand Lodge convened pursuant to adjournment,

PRESENT,

M. W. BEZALEEL GILLET, G. Master P. T.
 R. W. THOMAS A. PASTEUR, S. G. Warden elect.
 B. A. BARHAM, J. G. Warden P. T.
 JAMES G. MHOON, G. Treasurer P. T.
 ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary elect.
 WM. M'CAULEY, G. J. Deacon P. T.
 JOHN C. STEDMAN, G. Steward.

VISITORS.

Bros. Jeremiah Battle, C. J. Tooker, and Wm. D. Freeman.

The proceedings of the last meeting were read and approved.

Bro. Benj. A. Barham presented a copy of the proceedings of *Hiram Lodge, No. 40*, relative to the restoration to the rights and privileges of Free-masonry of Bro. Alsey Hunter, who had been expelled by said Lodge for non-payment of dues; which proceedings were read, and concurred in by the Grand Lodge.

Ordered, that a Charter be granted to *University Lodge*, at Chapel Hill, in Orange county.

Bros. Henry Y. House, John Haywood and John Kelly were appointed a committee to inquire into the proceedings and condition of *St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 57* at Louisburg, and report to the next annual communication of this Grand Lodge.

Ordered, that Dispensations be issued, for the establishment of the following Lodges, viz. *Lafayette Lodge*, at Louisburg, in Franklin county; *Mount Moriah Lodge*, at Statesville, in Iredell county; and *Fellowship Lodge*, at Smithfield, in Johnston county.

Bros. Thos. A. Pasteur, Benj. A. Barham and Alex. J. Lawrence were appointed a committee to examine the Minutes of *Western Star Lodge*, working by dispensation, and report at the next meeting of the Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That a committee, consisting of Bros. Thos. A. Pasteur, James G. Mhoon, and William M'Cauley, be appointed to examine the Grand Treasurer's books, and ascertain the number of Lodges, subordinate to this Grand Lodge, who are indebted for their annual dues, and report, at the next meeting, the amount of such dues, together with such measures as they deem expedient to be taken in relation thereto.

The Grand Lodge having finishing the work of the evening adjourned until Wednesday evening next, at 6 o'clock.

ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.

Wednesday evening, Dec. 29, A. L. 5824.

The Grand Lodge convened pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT,

M. W. JOHN L. TAYLOR, P. G. Master.
 R. W. BEZALEEL GILLET, S. G. Warden P. T.
 WILLIAM M'CAULEY, J. G. Warden P. T.
 JOHN PEEBLES, G. Treasurer P. T.
 ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary elect.
 BENJ. A. BARHAM, G. S. Deacon P. T.
 JOHN J. S. RUFFIN, G. J. Deacon P. T.
 JOHN C. STEDMAN, G. Steward.
 JOHN LUMSDEN, G. Tyler.

VISITORS.

Brethren John Braselman, Thos. Cobbs, Wm. H. Williams, John W. Pullen, and Joseph H. Poole.

The officers elect of this Grand Lodge (the Grand Master elect, being absent, by proxy) were duly installed by the M. W. John L. Taylor, Past Grand Master.

The committee appointed to examine the minutes of *Western Star Lodge*, made the following report, which was concurred in, and the accompanying resolution adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master and other Grand Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

Brethren, The committee to whom was referred the minutes of *Western Star Lodge*, Rutherfordton, at present working under Dispensation, and their Petition for the renewal of the same, having examined all the papers relative thereto, beg leave to report, that they have discovered an irregularity of proceedings in their first and second meetings, which cannot be approved, or set forth in this report; but we are of opinion that the same originated for want of information, and not with the intention of departing from the established usages of the fraternity. They further report, that all their proceedings since the two first meetings appear clear throughout, and evince strong proof of their being at this time sufficiently improved to govern the same with regularity; they therefore recommend the following, viz:

Resolved, That the Master, Wardens, and brethren of *Western Star Lodge*, be hereby authorised to continue working under their present Dispensation, until the next annual meeting of this Grand Lodge; when they will return the same, or be dissolved.

Respectfully submitted.

T. A. PASTEUR,
 ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, } Committee.
 B. A. BARHAM,

The committee appointed at the last meeting to examine the Grand Treasurer's books, and ascertain what subordinate Lodges

are in arrears to the Grand Lodge, reported that they had not been able to obtain the said books in time to perform the duty assigned them, and requested further time for that purpose; which was granted.

There being no further business before the Grand Lodge, it was adjourned until to-morrow evening, at six o'clock.

ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.

Thursday evening, Dec. 30, A. L. 5824.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment.

PRESENT,

M. W. THOS. A. PASTEUR, G. Master P. T.
 R. W. BENJ. A. BARHAM, S. G. Warden P. T.
 WILSON. B. WEBSTER, J. G. Warden P. T.
 JOHN C. STEDMAN, G. Treasurer P. T.
 ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.
 JAS. G. MHOON, G. S. Deacon P. T.
 J. A. SMITHWICK, G. J. Deacon P. T.
 JOHN LUMSDEN, G. Tyler.

VISITORS.

Brethren Jeremiah Battle and Lewis Tombreau.

The proceedings of the two last meetings were read and approved.

The committee appointed at the last Grand Annual Communication, to visit and inspect the working and proceedings of *Western Sun Lodge, No. 72, Wake county*, reported that they had not performed the duties assigned them, and asked further time for that purpose; which was refused, and they were discharged from said committee.

The committee appointed at the meeting of the 24th instant, to examine the Grand Treasurer's books, and ascertain what Lodges, under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, are in arrears thereto, reported, that, in consequence of the late period at which they obtained said books, they had been unable to make such examination, and were, consequently, unprepared to render a complete report. The said committee was, thereupon, discharged.

Resolved, that the Grand Steward be directed to sell the benches belonging to this Hall, and procure, with the proceeds of such sale, trimmings for certain articles of furniture.

There being no further business before the Grand Lodge, it was closed, in due and solemn form, until the next Grand Annual Communication.

ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Sec.

LIST OF LODGES

Under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of N. Carolina, 1825.

St. John's,	No. 1,	Wilmington.
Royal White Heart,	2,	Halifax.
St. John,	3,	Newbern.
Phoenix,	8,	Fayetteville.
Johnson Caswell,	10,	Warrenton.
Washington,	15,	Beaufort.
American George,	17,	Murfreesborough.
Hiram,	24,	Williamsborough.
Phalanx,	31,	Charlotte.
Freeland,	33,	Rowan.
Davie,	39,	Bertie.
Hiram,	40,	Raleigh.
Liberty,	45,	Wilkesborough.
Hall,	53,	Currituck.
Unanimity,	54,	Edenton.
King Solomon,	56,	Northampton.
St. Andrew's,	57,	Louisburg.
Concord,	58,	Tarborough.
Perseverance,	59,	Plymouth.
Union,	62,	Waynesborough.
Camden,	63,	Jonesborough.
Kilwinning,	64,	Wadesborough.
William R. Davie,	65,	Lexington.
Williams,	66,	Currituck.
Scotland Neck,	68,	Halifax.
Taylor,	69,	Beaufort.
John L. Taylor,	70,	Currituck.
Eagle,	71,	Hillsborough.
Western Sun,	72,	Wake.
Blakely,	73,	Franklin.
Golden Fleece,	74,	Milton.
Widow's Son,	75,	Camden.
Greensborough,	76,	Guilford.
Albemarle,	77,	Hertford.
Sharon,	—,	Greensville.
Charity,	—,	Windsor.
University,	80,	Chapel Hill.
Zion,	81,	Trent Bridge.
Western Star, (by dispensation,)		Rutherfordton.
Skewarkee,	do.	Williamston.
Fellowship,	do.	Smithfield.
Mount Moriah,	do.	Statesville.
Lafayette,	do.	Onslow Court House.
Morning Star,	do.	Nashville.
Lafayette,	do.	Louisburg.

A list of Expulsions and Suspensions for the year 1824.

EXPULSIONS.

By Perseverance Lodge, No. 59.

Starkey Garrett.

By Hall Lodge, No. 53.

Richard Jarvis, William Mathias, Joseph Rolph.

By Hiram Lodge, No. 40.

Samuel R. Bakewell of Ohio Lodge, No. 101, Wheeling, Va.

SUSPENSIONS.

By Western Sun Lodge, No. 72.

Stephen Senter, John Blalock, William Blalock, David Stuart, William Ausley, Sihon Utley, James Blacke, Henderson Wilson.

Whereby the Lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge are required to make their returns to the

Grand Annual Communications thereof.

RETURN of the Officers and Members of Lodge, No. held at by [Charter or Dispen-
sation, as the case may be,] from the M. W. Grand Lodge of North-Carolina; together with a statement of the Admissions, Initiations, Passings, Raisings, Withdrawals, Deaths, Suspensions, Expulsions, and Rejections, which have taken place in said Lodge, from A. L. to A. L.

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MASTER.

Attest,

SECRETARY.

Master.
S. Warden.
J. Warden.
Treasurer.
Secretary.
S. Deacon.
J. Deacon.
Steward.
Tyler.

N Carolina

May 1825.